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In re Application of :  
Alan Curtis Perkins, et al. :  
Application No. 09/232,622 :  
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 31, 2002, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed July 3, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three(3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on October 4, 2001.

Receipt is acknowledged of the Appeal Brief filed July 9, 2002.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Cheryl Gibson-Baylor at (703)308-5111, or in her absence, Sherry Brinkley at (703)305-9220.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100, Art Unit 2173.

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